IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

ROMONT A. JONES, : CIVIL ACTION

Petitioner :

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v. : NO. 11-0927

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DAVID W. PITKINS, et al., :

Respondents:

<u>ORDER</u>

AND NOW, this 14th day of October, 2011, upon careful and independent consideration of the petition for writ of habeas corpus, and after review of the thorough and well-reasoned Report and Recommendation of United States Magistrate Judge Thomas J. Rueter, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

- 1. The petitioner's objections (Doc. No. 14) are **OVERRULED**;
- 2. The Report and Recommendation (Doc. No. 13) is **APPROVED** and **ADOPTED**;
- 3. The petition for writ of habeas corpus (Doc. No. 1) is **DENIED** with prejudice;
- 4. The motion for appointment of counsel (Doc. No. 12) is **DENIED**:
- 5. There is no probable cause to issue a certificate of appealability; and
- 6. The Clerk of Court shall mark this case **CLOSED**.

BY THE COURT:

/s/ Lawrence F. Stengel
LAWRENCE F. STENGEL, J.